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Mr. Lamkin Tells Damaging Effect of "Idle Gossip"

College President Talks as Older Person to Younger Ones in Assembly Last Wednesday—Speaks of Faculty Resignations.

"What can have more damaging effects than idle gossip?" was the question asked by President Lamkin in the regular assembly last Wednesday. Speaking in connection with the "talk," which has been going the rounds since the resignation of several faculty members, the head of the College deplored the fact that humanity is prone to repeat and re-repeat bits of hearsay until they have attained enormous proportions in the repetition.

"I quite agree with Josh Billings in

that it is better to know nothing than what ain't so," the president said.

"Why, I heard the other day that the

majority of our College faculty is

going to resign. The truth is that

there are fewer resignations this year

than there were last. Those of this

year have simply been given more publicity.

Those who have resigned have

not been asked to go, and they would

not have been. Some of them are going

to places of greatly increased salary,

some are entering other work, some

are leaving for personal reasons, and

some have been given leaves of absence, which we are always glad to grant."

"All at Once"

Mr. Lamkin pointed out that the fact that several resignations came in a short space of time has started people to talking.

"That caused the gossip. But, I'll tell you this: If the entire faculty, administration, and board of regents of this College were to resign at the end of this year, the governor would appoint a new board of regents, they would elect a new faculty, and the College would go on just the same.

Mr. Lamkin's talk was a combination affair. He titled it "Hodge Podge," and gave it in two ways. Two of the parts of his talk dealt with national problems. In these he talked as citizen to citizen. The other two points he made were along lines pertinent to the College, and in these he talked as an older person to a group of younger ones.

Ideals Are Stressed

In speaking of morality in the student body, the president stressed ideals. "I would rather have a student graduate

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Mr. Cook Trains Animals and is "Some" Gardener

It is interesting just to watch the various members of the faculty after their classes are over for the day and notice their hobbies.

Take Mr. Cook, for instance. As you pass his house notice the garden. Mr. Cook must be very much interested in the garden, as he was seen working away one night about ten o'clock. But if Mr. Cook is a gardener that does not take all of his time, he is an animal trainer on the side. He has two pet squirrels that will soon be ready to be shown to the public. The squirrels live in the maple tree just west of the house and Mr. Cook may be seen with a pan of water trying to induce them to drink from his hand, but as yet he has had no success.

Finishing Plans for the Alumni Banquet

Twentieth Annual Affair to Be Given May 26.—Must Reserve Places by May 24.

Plans are being completed for the twentieth annual alumni banquet to be given May 26. The Alumni Association is composed of graduates who have received the bachelors degree, or who have received sixty hours prior to the year 1924.

Reservations for the banquet must be made by May 24. Each alumnus may bring as many guests as he wishes. Students who will receive degrees at the end of this summer are especially urged to be present and to become active members of the association.

Tickets for the banquet may be secured from any one of the following: Mrs. Marcell, Miss Dykes, Miss Hudson, Miss James, Grace Graves, or Louise Freeman.

Some important business is to come up at this time.

Can Still Get Caps and Gowns

Seniors who have not yet secured caps and gowns may still do so. However, it is imperative that anyone wanting cap and gown see Miss Dykes at once and give her the following information: height, chest measurement and cap size. The rental fee is \$2.50.

Wilbur York, of the Southwest Publishing Company, visited the College Thursday, and talked to Mr. Rogers' class in Business Correspondence.

Departing Seniors' Advice to Those Who May 'Look Before Leaping'

With the school year almost over and college life just as nearly completed for the group of austere ones who are called seniors, there is doubtless the thought in many minds that things might have resulted better if they had done differently. There are perhaps those who would have pursued different courses.

For those who are not yet seniors, and who still have the opportunity to think before leaping, the following opinions of senior students are given concerning "just what I would do differently."

"Study hard for two years, the first two, so that my work would not all be piled up on me at the last."

"I would also go out for football, basketball and track even though I didn't make the team each year."—Reed Holt.

"There are a very few things that I would do differently. I have tried to pick the best subjects suited me. There are a few subjects I would have taken though. They are Bible, Library Economy, more English and Journalism. I would have picked my major in the freshman year rather than the junior."—Russell D. Hamilton.

"I would major in commerce. There are two reasons why I would do this. The teaching field is better in commerce than in the major that I have chosen. Then, again, I would be much better equipped to enter the business life should I prove unsuccessful as a school teacher."—Sam England.

"If I were starting my college career over I would plan very carefully my program of studies. I would try to make my courses form a continuous chain so that I would not find in my

Bearcats Get in Fast Company in Springfield Meet

Local College Team Takes Four Thirds in M. I. A. A. Classic in Which Seven State Records Fall.

The College Bearcats failed to follow in the custom they had set in football and basketball in the track and field meet of the Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association last Saturday at Springfield. Coaches Jones and Lawrence took but eight men to the Southwest Missouri school, and the winnings of the Maryville men were found to be four third places, secured as follows: John Smith, half mile; Ungles, low hurdles; Joy, javelin; and Hollar, shot put.

The meet was won by Warrensburg with 62 points. Springfield ran close second with 56 points, Kirksville was third with 14½ points, and Cape Girardeau scored 6½ points. The Maryville places gave the local team 4 points.

The Bearcats were in fast company for true in the meet.

The summary:

100-yard dash: Ralph Brown, Warrensburg, first; Hamilton, Springfield, second; e o n d; Humphreys, Warrensburg, third; Time: 10 seconds flat. (New record).

220-yard dash: Ralph Brown, Warrensburg, first; Hamilton, Springfield, second; Humphreys, Warrensburg, third. Time: 22.2. (New record).

440-yard dash: Fischer, Springfield, first; Roy Brown, Warrensburg, second; Simmons, Kirksville, third. Time: 51.4 (New record).

880-yard dash: Holt, Warrensburg, first; Fite, Springfield, second; J. Smith, Maryville, third. Time: 20.46

One mile run: Dooley, Springfield, first; Hickman, Kirksville, second; Townsend, Warrensburg, third; Time: 4:39.5

Two mile run: Townsend, Warrensburg, first; Dooley, Springfield, second; Stout, Springfield, third. Time: 10:23.6 (New record).

220-yard low hurdles: Reynaud, Springfield, first; White, Warrensburg, second; Ungles, Maryville, third. Time: 20 seconds. (New record).

120-yard high hurdles: Harris, Cape Girardeau, first; Reynaud, Springfield, second; third place man disqualification and fourth man did not finish. Time: 16 seconds. (Equal state record).

Broad jump: C. Davis, Springfield, first; French, Warrensburg, second; Harris, Cape Girardeau, and Streeter, Kirksville, tied for third. Distance: 21 feet, 7 7/8 inches.

Pole vault: French, Warrensburg, and Austin, Springfield, tied for first; Reynaud, Springfield, third. Height 11 feet, 2 inches.

Shot put: Vail, Kirksville, first; Kennedy, Warrensburg, second; Hollar, Maryville, third. Distance: 41 feet, 6 inches.

Discus: Kennedy, Warrensburg, first; Bill, Springfield, second; Vail, Kirksville, third. Distance: 134 feet, 4 inches. (New record).

Javelin: Kennedy, Warrensburg, first; C. Davis, Springfield, second; Joy, Maryville, third. Distance: 176 feet, 11 1/4 inches. (New record).

One-half mile relay: Warrensburg, first, (Ralph Brown, Humphreys, Roy Brown and Stacy); Springfield, second; Kirksville, third. Time: 1:33.0

Mile relay: Warrensburg, first, (Humphreys, Roy Brown, K. Brown, and Holt); Springfield, second; Cape Girardeau, third. Time: 3:36.8

"If you were starting your college career over again would you do any differently?"

"Now, anybody who looks back on their life and knows things now that they didn't know then and could start over again would do some things differently. As a whole I would do the same things over again."

"When I entered college, I had a definite goal to reach; now I have reached that goal. I chose a course, commerce, as a major that I thought would be of the most value to me if I entered the teaching profession, and the most valuable of any if I entered the business world."

"I have not been a book worm, nor have I neglected my studies. I have taken part in social activities, and athletics, so I feel that my education is well rounded."

"The past is gone so what I have done cannot be changed. The future is before me, so I will make the best of it."—Paul Robery.

The Junior picnic which was to be held last Friday was postponed indefinitely.

Visit at College

Seniors of Shenandoah High School Observe "Sneak Day" by Inspecting S. T. C. and Maryville.

About sixty Shenandoah High School seniors visited the College and Maryville Monday. This visit had been planned for last week, but rain interfered. The students arrived about 10 o'clock in the morning in automobiles and stayed until after the May Fete in the afternoon.

Dann Barnard and a committee from the Student Council were in charge of the entertainment for the visitors. They were taken on a tour of Maryville and then were shown the different buildings of the College. Those who wished to do so were given an opportunity to take a plunge in the swimming pool in the new gymnasium.

At noon, the visitors had a picnic lunch in the College park. The school furnished coffee to go with this lunch.

At 1:20 o'clock in the afternoon President Lamkin spoke to the visitors in the auditorium.

"We are always glad to have students from high schools in this part of the country visit us," he said. "We believe that these visits make for a cemented friendship and are a benefit to both parties. Make yourselves at home here. We hope that all or a part of you will return."

Monday was "Sneak Day" at Shenandoah High School. Each year, the senior class takes a day off. The students who came to Maryville in gaily-decorated cars, were accompanied by C. R. Jackson, a teacher.

"We have had a good time in Maryville," he said when the visitors were ready to return to their homes. "Maryville is a beautiful town. The College is an excellent one, situated on a beautiful campus."

Wit and Satire Found in Play "Dear Brutus"

Seniors to Give Barrie Work as Final Contribution in Auditorium Next Tuesday Night.

Wit, satire, and a great deal of human nature are woven in to "Dear Brutus," the three-act Barrie play which the seniors will give in the College auditorium next Tuesday night. This play is one of the outstanding ones of its kind, and Miss Dow, the director, spent much time in the selection of her cast.

Rehearsals have been going on for two weeks and the senior class plans to present a creditable play as its last contribution to the activity life of the school.

The play takes place at the country home of Lob an eccentric old man, who is giving a house party. He has invited several people from the various walks of life, who are unknown to each other. He says they have something in common, which turns out to be the fact, that each of them secretly wants to start life over and do differently. Since it is midsummer eve, the guests go to a mystic wood where they are given a chance to begin over.

When they come back from the wood, they are found to be much the same except that they realize what their faults are. The play closes with the optimistic strain that there exists a hope that the brave may yet make their lives worth while.

The play gets its title from this quotation in Julius Caesar: "The fault dear Brutus, is not in our stars, That we are underlings, but in ourselves."

Dean Barnard Called By Death of Mother

Dean Barnard received a message early Monday afternoon announcing the death of her mother, Mrs. Sarah Barnard, at Mount Pleasant, Michigan. Dean Barnard left on the afternoon train for Mount Pleasant to attend the funeral. Mrs. Barnard had been ill for several weeks, following an operation.

FORESHADOWED EVENTS

- May 19—High School commencement.
- May 23—College baccalaureate sermon, Rev. J. A. Cooper.
- May 24—Senior reception.
- May 25—Senior Breakfast.
- May 26—10 a.m. Commencement; address by Federal Judge Merrill A. Otis of Kansas City.
- May 27—Close of spring quarter.
- May 28—Close of short course.
- May 31—Opening of summer quarter.

Aileen Vanzant Named Queen in Fete This Year

Maypole Affair Said to Be Best in History.—Student Teachers in Women's Physical Education in Charge.

Miss Aileen Vanzant of Eagleville was chosen May Queen at the annual fete held on the campus west of the administration building late Monday afternoon. Miss Vanzant represented the seniors and was chosen out of competition including queens from the other classes.

Mr. Arthur Noid, Mrs. L. M. Eek, and Miss Olive DeLuce were the judges who chose the may queen. Selection was based on the ensemble effect of the queen and her attendants. Miss Vanzant was attended by six senior women, dressed in lavender and blue robes, and two pages, dressed in pink. The queen wore white. The whole effect of the winning group was Greek.

Many persons have said that the fete yesterday was the most beautiful ever given at the College. Women's physical education classes at the College and children from the Maryville ward schools participated. There were eighteen numbers on the program, which lasted about an hour and a half.

The costumes for the fete were beautiful. One of the outstanding numbers was a dance given by little Mary Josephine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Dreyer. This dance followed the coronation of the queen, toward the last of the fete. Little Miss Dreyer brought forward the crown and then danced after it had been placed on Miss Vanzant's head.

The queen was notified of her selection by the maypole dancers, who circled her throne after their dance.

A large crowd attended the fete.

The May Fete this year was in charge of student teachers of the College. Mrs. William L. Mapel was chairman of the general committee which was composed of the following: Misses Roberta Cook, Blanche Pierpoint, Zelma Campbell, Mildred Estep, Martha Jane Pope, Rose Froman, Lorene Bruckner, and Fern Alley.

The program follows:

Processional.
Dance of Greeting—Natural Dancing Class.

"Mountain March"—General Gymnasium Class.

"The Toad's Mistake"—Franklin School.

"Pop Goes the Weasel."

"Come, Let Us Be Joyful!"—Singing Games Class.

"Dutch Dance"—Jefferson School.

"Eccossais."

"Waltz Change"—Natural Dancing Class.

"Flying Bird Dance"—College Demonstration School.

"Clown Dance"—Garfield School.

"Ribbon Dance"—General Gymnasium Class.

"Indian Dance"—Washington School.

"Maypole Dance"—Combined Classes.

Crowning of May Queen.

"Dance to the Queen"—Mary Jo Dreyer.

"Moment Musicaux"—Natural Dancing Class.

Recessional.

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COLLEGE OATH

"We will never bring disgrace to this our College by any act of covetousness, or avarice, or any other vice. We will reverence and obey the College laws, and do our best to incite a like respect and reverence in others. We will transmit the noble traditions of our college fathers, greater, better, and more beautiful than it was transmitted to us."

CLEAN UP CAMPUS

Students! Please give your attention to the following: Do you leave your waste paper on the library table at home or throw your chewing gum and candy wrappers on the floor? NO; but you leave them on the College library tables and floors. Do you stuff small bits of paper behind the cushions of the seats at home? NO indeed not but you do in the College recreation room.

Do you go singing and whistling through your house if some member of your family is trying to write a letter or read, or talk to some visitor? NO of course not; that would be too rude and unmannerly, but you do it in the halls of the College when conscientious students and teachers are endeavoring to get the most out of a class recitation.

Do you slam the door of your room every time you close it? NO. But you delight in giving the door of your locker a bang and a slam every time that you close it. Neither would you carry on a private conversation with some member of your family, if you had some distinguished guest, who was speaking to the whole group; but YOU do it in assembly whenever a good musical number or lecture is given.

Do you leave trash on the lawn at home? Why not? Because you would eventually have to pick it up; but you throw it on the College campus every day. NO you don't have to pick it up—but your money does—YOU pay someone else to do the work that you cause.

Last but not least, do you wish to have this—YOUR college and MY college characterized by its rudeness, vulgarity, and dirty campus? Just a little care and effort on our part will remedy all of this. Let's watch it.

WHY AM I SO USELESS?

"I am one of the most neglected things on the campus. I am not able to do my duty without the cooperation of the students. All I do from morning till night is just stand and while away the hours in lonesomeness. None of the students seem to pay any attention to me. But, I have a definite purpose to fulfill."

"One day I heard Mr. Lamkin say at Assembly that the students should pay more attention to me and give me something to do; but they do not seem to heed his plea. Every evening the janitors come, look at me and say: 'Oh you worthless thing, what are you here for!' Won't some of the students please take pity on me and make me feel that I have a place in life and that I am doing a real service? If interested in my work, please address all communications directly to me."

Signed, The Wastepaper Basket.

MR. LAMKIN TELLS DAMAGING EFFECTS OF "IDLE GOSSIP"

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of man and womanhood than to have him make a straight E in all of his academic work," he said.

He also talked on two subjects which have been the grounds for intercollegiate debate this year. In speaking of child labor, he said:

"The child Labor Amendment has been opposed not primarily by persons who have children who work, but by men and employers of children who seek to exploit them. It is argued that the government will interfere with children working in homes and on farms. The present condition of farmers is partly due to the fact that rural children do not have equal educational opportunities with the urban children. The next generation will find the farmer unable to compete with the better trained urban man, unless conditions are changed."

"Who Would Repeal?"

"Another argument against this amendment is that the federal government will interfere with the state government, and that many federal laws have proved unsatisfactory. But who," asked Mr. Lamkin, "would be willing

to repeal such laws as the federal marriage laws, the narcotic laws, the prohibition amendment, or the game laws? There are many such evils that the states alone cannot correct. These objections are merely 'bugaboos' to mislead the voters."

Mr. Lamkin next spoke in favor of the establishment of a secretary of education in the President's cabinet: "Having one department instead of the present forty bureaus and commissions of education would mean economy and more efficient management. If I were president" Mr. Lamkin said, "I would not pick out an outstanding educator or school man as the head of this department, but a broad-minded business man such as Hughes or Hoover."

"Some speaker has said recently on this platform," continued Mr. Lamkin "that the good condition of the Nodaway schools is due to local initiative. Let me correct this fallacy. It is not due to local initiative, but to the fact that the state has set up certain standards that schools must maintain."

The Open Forum

Time is money. Time is the one thing that none of us have in plenty. Anything that saves time for us or that helps us to better care for our time has a value equal to that of a check from home. Accurately measuring time is as important as accurately counting money. In these days of "high powered" professional men and of "frenzied" finance we like to know that our time and money are being judiciously and carefully used.

Here in this college we have a condition that would not be desired in any other line of activity. I refer to time. Ask a student for the time of day and he will invariably add to his reply "College time" or "town time." Some 800 persons are affected directly by the college clock. Hundreds of others are affected indirectly. For a few dollars a Western Union clock could be installed that would give absolutely correct time all the time. Practically every business house downtown uses Western Union service. Why can't we have such a clock in the halls of S. T. C.!

A Student.

Maryville High Will Graduate on Friday

Commencement exercises for the advanced senior class of the Maryville High School will be held at the high school auditorium, Friday evening, May 21, when sixty students will be graduated.

Dr. C. C. James, pastor of the M. E. Church will deliver the commencement address.

The following will be the order of program:

March.
Invocation, Rev. R. E. Musgrave.
Valedictory Address, Frances Remus.
Class Address, Dr. C. C. James.
Presentation of the Class, L. L. St. Clair.
Presentation of Diplomas, Dr. Jesse Miller.
Awarding of Honors, L. E. Ziegler.

May 15---A Sad Anniversary

Last Saturday was the anniversary of the death of "Mike," who died May 15, 1917. For those who do not know, "Mike" was a dog. He wasn't just an ordinary dog; he was almost a human dog. As the College mascot, he was beloved by all; as an animal of many privileges, he was permitted to roam the College corridors, classrooms, and campus—and as a perfect gentleman, "Mike" never abused these privileges.

One day, "Mike" died. Little time was required to raise money from the loving student body for an appropriate marker for the grave of the little mascot, small contributions, large contributions, all were made with feeling. They were given "for the love of 'Mike'."

Following is a story from the Tower.

It tells of "Mike."

He came as do all tramps out of the gray mysterious past closed to everybody but himself. He looked the situation over, and, contrary to all set rules of trampdom, he decided to settle down.

He fell into the company of M. S. Boase, secretary to the President of the College, and through the kindness of Mr. Boase, or rather through the working of his dog instincts which directed him to follow where he was not intended to follow, he was introduced to the college. He liked college life and the students liked him, so he soon became to be recognized as an integral and indispensable part of the institution.

Every morning as constantly as the sun, and much more so than the students and professors, would be reported to the morning classes. Every evening he would choose the particular instructor or with whom he wished to pass the evening, and to that lucky instructor's home he would proceed as the guest

Gentry County's "Bluegrass Queen"



MISS RUTH PULLEY
Queen of the 1926 Festival
—Photos by Grissinger



MISS ISABEL BLACKLOCK
Maid of Honor



MISS ALICE DIEHL
Maid of Honor

Courtesy Tri-State News

Miss Ruth Pulley, a student in the State Teachers College here, will be crowned "Bluegrass Queen of the World" at the annual Bluegrass Festival to be held at King City, June 3. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Pulley, south of King City.

Misses Isabel Blacklock and Alice Diehl will be her maids of honor. Miss Blacklock, a junior in the King City high school, is a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. D. E. Blacklock and Miss Diehl is a member of this year's King City high school graduating class and the

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Diehl. The coronation ceremony for Miss Pulley will be one of the features of the festival. Others will be a parade, a pageant and an address by Governor Sam A. Baker.

The committee has offered \$30 in

prizes for the best floats in the parade

in the hope that it will stimulate com-

petition in adding beauty to the display.

In this float contest there will be one

class for rural schools and another for

high schools, consolidated schools, busi-

ness houses and individuals. In each

class cash prizes of \$10, \$8 and \$2 will

be given for first, second and third

place, respectively.

The Roman army is to be used again

this year, and the committee already

has begun rounding up the equipment.

Outfits similar to those used last year

have been designated. There will be

more chariots this year, too; and more

bluegrass leaders in the parade. The

committee will want an "army" of

children with hand strippers, and proba-

bly will designate someone to train the

little folks for a song and drill.

John W. Querry, for the past two

years principal of the Hopkins High

School, has been elected superintendent

of the Chula, Mo., schools for the com-

ing year.

If the day was warm, he would spend

his time on the campus, chasing rob-

bots, digging for ground squirrels and

superintending the work about the

grounds. He was in fact the only being

(for dogs are beings), who ever dared

to dispute the authority of Mr. Brink.

He would dig holes in the tulip beds

and in the soft turf of the campus, and

the holes would be filled and new flow-

ers planted.

If the day was cold and blustery he

would visit the various class rooms.

He behaved with profound dignity,

occupying the place of honor under the

instructor's desk, like Buddha under a

canopy, a little, fuzzy, dirty, gray

Buddha, with wistful brown eyes that

spoke of a sagacity far beyond the

scope of human understanding.

And the games! Of course he was

there with his green and white blanket

with the white "M" on either side,

What matter if he did drink out of the

water pail on the sidelines? What mat-

ter if he did walk across the court?

He was Lord—big-Chancellor, and he

knew it.

The Agriculture Class was spraying

trees with lead arsenate. The day was

warm and Mike had been chasing an

impudent rabbit. The white spray resem-

bled milk—and he was so thirsty;

The efforts of the students and the

veterinary were of no avail.

Today, near the east entrance of the

Administrative Building, unheeded

and unnoticed by the present genera-

tion of preoccupied college students is

the little marble block.

first. The relay team came in third in both the mile and half-mile events.

Liniger was high point man by placing first in low hurdles, second in high hurdles, third in high jump and pole vault and fourth in the javelin throw.

The Rock Port Tennis team placed

third in the tennis tournament.

Leland Warren won third in oration

and Irene Patterson won fourth in declamation.

There were about fifty schools entered, representing four states. Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas, and Missouri.

The Journalism club received a certificate in recognition of honorable mention won by the high school paper

"The Blue and White Pep," in the

fourth convention of the Missouri Inter-

scholastic Press Association. The school paper was entered in the departments conducted in local papers.

Lois Bartholomew, graduating this spring, has secured the position of teacher of Liberty school. She plans to attend the State Teachers College at Maryville for the summer term.

J. LaVerne Kerns, Trenton Junior College

Freshman Wins \$1,000 in National Contest

J. LaVerne Kerns, a freshman in the Trenton Junior College, recently won a \$1,000 prize for the best essay on chemistry in a national contest conducted by the American Chemical Society. The money was donated by Francis P. Garvan, president of the Chemical Foundation.

Kerns was born October 25, 1905. He is a graduate of the Trenton High School, having been valedictorian of his class. He is active in school athletics and all student affairs. He is a son of S. D. Kerns, banker at Hickory, Missouri.

Following is the text of the winning essay, "Chemistry—and the Enrichment of Life."

"Behold I bring you Good Tidings of Great Joy which shall be to all people."

That is the mission of chemistry in the world. Great Joy is the ultimate enrichment which it bestows upon life. Is life made more joyous by this science? Yes, from a more comfortable morning shave to warding off of death—even to things more vital than death—chemistry has enriched life. By being made longer and more worth the living, life has been enriched by this fundamental science of the transformation of matter; fundamental because it deals with the components of all things; fundamental because if any man any place writes down one hundred common nouns, a knowledge of chemistry is necessary to explain the making of everyone of them.

Chemistry is related to the enrichment of life in two widely different fields. One is the conquest and improvement of nature, the other, the formation of a new state of mind, a different mental attitude. The one is physical; the other, mental. The former is objective; the latter, subjective. Industry and medicine illustrate the former. The lover of truth, that careful, inquiring, measuring, testing, generalizing individual who follows facts instead of opinions and superstitions, is an example of the latter. Of course, development in the two fields has gone on together. One could not develop one without the other; and it would be difficult (perhaps, foolish is a better word), to attempt to say which has been more important to the enrichment of life. That's like deciding whether heredity or environment plays the more important part in the life of an individual. Man, being neither content with his adaptations to nor satisfied with his improvements on nature, has created new and more satisfactory products. In so doing he has, in the necessary chemical analysis and synthesis,

In The Social Swirl

INTER SOCIETY BANQUET

In keeping with an annual custom, the inter-society banquet was given in the dining room of the First Methodist Church in honor of the winners in the year's inter-society contests. A banquet in three courses was served by the women of the church.

Jewell Goss acted as toastmistress.

The following program was given: Toast to the Contestants—David Max. Response—Burdette Yeo. Talk, "Independent Thinking"—Miss Dykes.

Talk, "Inter-State Literary Contests"—Richard Baker.

Vocal solo "Joy of Morning," Catherine Gray.

Talk—C. C. Leeson.

Vocal solo "What's in the air Today,"—Elizabeth Mills.

The banquet was sponsored by the Bronze Letter Club and by the sponsors of the literary societies.

A telegram was sent to Mr. Miller who is at present on leave of absence, and who has done so much for the College in the past.

Surprise Wedding Announced.

Announcement was made Saturday of the marriage of Miss Ruth Cline, daughter of Mrs. Blanche Cline of Maryville, and Harold G. Houchens, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Houchens, 816 North Walnut street. News of the wedding, which took place August 1, 1925, at Atchison, Kan., will be a surprise to the friends of the young couple. The bride will return to Maryville next Saturday from Cameron, where she has been teaching physical education for women in the high school the last two years. She was graduated from Central High School, St. Joseph, in the class of 1920, and four years later received a B. S. degree in education from the State Teachers College in Maryville. She was a popular student at the College, being prominently identified with various school activities. Mr. Houchens is a graduate of the Maryville High School and holds an A. B. degree from the College being a member of the class of 1923. He is now attending the College of Dentistry of St. Louis University. Mr. and Mrs. Houchens will be at home in St. Louis for the summer—Democrat-Forum.

steel," "The age of power," "The age of machines," "The age of transportation." Man, ever desirous of saving his energy, should merely have said, "The age of chemistry." Can you think of possesses the power of reducing a substance to its constituent atoms and from them producing substances entirely new?" By examination of some of the chief agencies of the enrichment of life and by observing the relation of chemistry to them, we may be able to appreciate in a small measure the great bearing of chemistry on the richer life (a bearing inconceivable in the whole). Among the factors which distinguish the life of today from that of the past, the richer and fuller, are: fire, metal, industry, communication, health, the open mind, the love of truth, and appreciation. Let us take them one at a time and see the relation of chemistry to each.

The Fire Builder
Fire was the first important factor in making life more worth the living. To think of man without fire is impossible. It has been with him as far back as the neolithic age. Since fire is so old, it cannot be a creation of chemistry; but it is the fire-making and fire-using abilities of man, developed and multiplied by chemistry, which has enriched his life. Neolithic man had fire, but it probably enriched his life no more than it scorched it. The great usefulness of fire lies in the multiple ways chemistry has applied it. Ancient man could not make it, did not understand it, therefore worshipped it, and used it meagerly. His natural fire probably came from volcanoes and lightning. Its sacred keeping was a religious custom, even after he learned to make it by whirling one stick upon another.

At that point progress ceased until chemistry took a hand and ultimately created the match, an article having no counterpart in nature. It is a creation of chemistry which benefits all mankind, for a cent will buy a hundred and the child of six can use them. Since, by the science of chemistry, man has thus been able to harness nature in such a way as to command fire, let us see to what uses he has employed it. Man uses fire for light and heat. As a light producer he had achieved in some 5000 years the flicking, smoking, foul-smelling torches, grease lamps and candles. Then chemistry placed a chimney upon the lamp and the flickering flame became a steady, brighter light. Later, by the chemical creations of gas and mantles and by chemistry's aid in harnessing electricity, the modern gas and electric lights were produced. As a heat producer man's fire was warm enough to burn his finger in summer and melt ice on a mild winter day. The chemist's fire is capable of the decomposition of water or even sand. From the warmth of the pine tree fagot to a white heat which cuts steel more readily than our bread knife cuts the baker's product, is the work of the chemist. How this increase in the heat of fire has enriched life can be better understood after a discussion of metal, the second great factor in the chemistry of human progress. But let us remember of fire that it is a chemical change not a supernatural phenomenon, and that the chemist's understanding of it as a process of the fast addition of oxygen has made possible the increase in man's fire-making and fire-using abilities to the present numerous and indispensable ways.

Gifts of Iron
Metal is the second factor important in the enrichment of life. Man had some metals almost as long as he had fire, but they were few, infrequent, and expensive. Gold and copper were first because they were free or uncombined in nature. Then man's campfire was built where there were tin ores in addition to the copper, and he discovered a new metal, the alloy bronze. Later man became able to produce a little iron from its ore, but what a little it was. Everyone became iron miners then. By mixing carbon with the iron, steel was made, but I shouldn't want to live in the Woolworth Building if it had been built in that day. Before the age of chemistry, men possessed only these metals: gold, copper, tin, bronze, alloy, iron and steel. The iron could have all been used in Ford engines and it was only guess-work steel.

Today, chemistry smelts the iron in the blast furnace, purifies it by efficient chemical means, and mixes the right amount of carbon with it to produce the best grades of steel. It is no guess work now, but a cheap, efficient, precisely controlled, chemical process. Today we have iron to use the world around, and steel to use from earth to sky. Chemistry has added alloys of steel, each possessing properties and powers not possessed by the parent metals. Among them are manganese steel, chrome, tungsten steel, and nickel steel. Think of the ways iron and steel, in an abundance made possible by chemistry, have made the life of man more worth the living. No, do not think of them all; you need to think of other things in a lifetime. Iron and steel have made of life a new thing. We live in "The Age of

radio. All are made possible by the phenomenon of electricity. So chemistry bears upon them in all the ways that it bears upon electricity. Again, these are all made of delicate instruments, the production of which chemistry has made possible. All of them, but especially the radio, necessitate a knowledge of laws of nature which chemistry has revealed. Thus the detector and amplification tubes were made possible only by chemistry revealing some of the secrets of the electron. So, again in communication we see how chemistry has enriched life. Communication seems to be one of the greatest factors in making life more worth the living and it is chemistry which put books and papers within the reach of all. It is also that same science which is permitting such an advance in radio. Who can predict the future influence of radio in enriching life?

Chemistry in Health.

The fifth factor, in the conquest of nature and the enrichment of life, is health. Personal health goes a long way toward determining the richness of the life of any individual. This health is dependent upon the laws of chemistry. The human body is a complex chemical laboratory. The changes which take place in it are chemical changes and are best explained and understood by the laws of chemistry. Life from beginning to end is the transformation of matter—the very thing with which chemistry deals. That is why this science is able to do so much toward health and the more enjoyable life, in so far as health is concerned. That is why medical schools require such thorough preparation in chemistry. Only the chemist can so minutely analyze the components of a healthy body as to discover what is necessary to preserve its health. With this knowledge only can he build up a product to fill that need. Thus if any organ of the body is functioning improperly the chemist can relieve the resulting ill health by supplying the product of the affected organ. Another way chemistry helps medicine is by supplying a specific substance to cure a specific disease. Chemistry has produced a cure for leprosy, syphilis and epilepsy in this way. A cure for pneumonia and diabetes seems nearing perfection, and in the future cures for tuberculosis and cancer will probably be worked out.

By analysis of foods the chemist assists greatly in keeping the body in health. He knows the per cent of different foods needed by the body and what foods must be eaten to obtain that per cent. He can tell us when a food is pure, when it contains poison, or when it is spoiled. He can detect germs in food and water, and tell when any food becomes unsafe. Most everyone can appreciate the value of health, but the worth of life cannot be estimated. When we consider that chemistry has lessened the suffering of thousands, restored thousands of others to health, and saved the lives of not a few, then do we realize that the value of chemistry to the enrichment of life is unstable.

The Open Mind

Sixth of the factors of the life more worth living is what I have termed the open mind. This is the first of the subjective influences, and while it is true of other sciences, it is especially true of chemistry as the most basic, underlying and fundamental. The chemist, in his laboratory work, has developed an open mind. He looks for a definite result, but if unsuccessful, sees meaning in the results obtained. He is on the alert for the whisperings of nature which may reveal her secrets. He is ever watching and listening with all the powers of his open mind, ready to catch and to follow the smallest hint that may lead to the revelation of a secret. It is they of the open mind who, as Dr. A. D. Little said of the "Fifth Estate," "bring the power and fruits of knowledge to the multitude who are content to go through life without thinking and without questioning, who accept fire and the hatching of an egg, the attraction of a feather by a bit of amber, and the stars in their courses, as a fish accepts the sea." It is true that few possess the open mind for it is most difficult to achieve, but we, who stick so stubbornly to our convictions, ignorances, and superstitions, share its benefits.

Desire and discovery of truth are the next subjective factors. The whole life of the chemist is spent in search for truth. His love of truth makes him accurate and exact in all that he does. Knowing that in Nature there is no lie, but painfully exacting truth, his truth becomes the truthfulness of Nature. The scientist does not tolerate nearly, just about, almost the truth; but the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so to speak. Great is his love of truth for to him, "The greatest and noblest pleasure which men can have in this world is to discover new truths; and the next is to shake off old prejudices," (Frederick the Great). Through the chemist's discovery of the truths of nature has come a great good to mankind. "The truth shall make men free," was a prophecy of that good. Science, by "Diamond Dick" novel, it's also, the discovery of truth, has freed the mind of man. He no longer fears nor quite a book on chemistry.

Other means of communication are superstitious but believe and is the telephone, telegraph, wireless and confident, for he sees the world in the

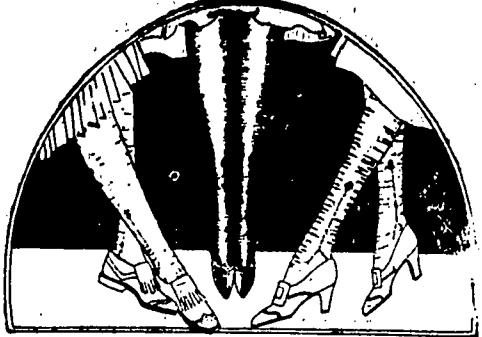
Cushman in his book, "Chemistry and Civilization" has pictured the dawnings, and while a prophecy of the plying in geometric ratio. Man is in imagination, his picture is inspiring. He says: "It is possible to believe that all the past is but the beginning, and that all that has been is but the twilight of the dawn. It is possible to believe that all that the mind has ever accomplished is but the dream before the awakening. We can not see, there is not need for us to see, what this world will be like when the day has fully come. We are creatures of the twilight. But out of our race and lineage minds will spring, that will reach back to us in our littleness to know us better than we know ourselves, and that will reach forward fearlessly to know this future that defeats our eyes. A day will come, one day in the unending succession of days, when beings shall stand upon this earth, as one

Mary Ruth Curfman Honored at University

Mary Ruth Curfman, B. S. '25, member of the Alpha Chapter K. O. P. at present at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md., has been given two unusual honors. She has been chosen to act as assistant dietician during the month of August when the regular dieticians are on their vacations.

She has also been selected from all the dietetic students to prepare a demonstration tray for the doctor's class.

Ella—Universities must be very wicked places. Boys and girls under 16 are not admitted.—Virginia Reel.



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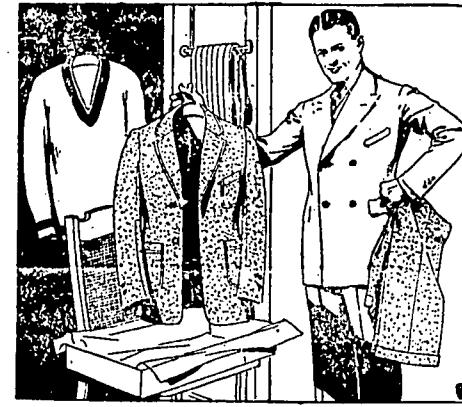
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JEWELERS — OPTOMETRISTS — STATIONERS

Meet to Juniors

Third-Year Women Victorious in Inter-Class Track.—Bruckner Wins Individual Honors.

The Junior girls won the inter-class track and field meet held last Saturday morning on the College field. The meet was a close race between the visitors and the sophomores, who were nosed out of first place by one-half of a point. The point scores of the four classes follow: juniors, 23½; sophomores, 23; seniors, 18½; freshmen, 16.

Lorene Bruckner was high-point individual of the meet with 15 points, and Lalah Best was second high with 8 points.

The events of the meet, in which Harold O'Banion was starter, are as follows: 60-yard dash—Hantz, first; Miss Grace McAnulty, Hosen school; Miss Nelle Tobin, Lafayette school; Miss Mamie Kane, Muzzor school; Miss Mayme Dooley, Sherwood school.

Schedule Is Made

1927 Basketball Schedule Made Last Friday Night at Coaches' Meeting in Springfield.

Basketball schedules for 1927 in the Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association teams were made Friday night when the teachers college coaches met at Springfield.

The schedules next year will be peculiar, in that games will be played on a two-to-one ratio. For example, Springfield will play two games at Maryville, while Maryville will play but one game at Springfield. On the other hand, Warrensburg will play one game in Maryville, while the locals will play two games at Warrensburg.

The schedule for 1927 is but half of that planned by the five coaches. In 1928, the order will be reversed, and in that manner each school will play three times at each other school in the two years.

The conference season here will open January 28 and 29, when Springfield will be entertained. There will be six conference games at home. Following are the schedules:

January: Springfield, at Maryville, January 28 and 29; Maryville at Cape Girardeau, February 9; Maryville at Kirksville, February 11 and 12; Cape at Maryville, February 15 and 16; Warrensburg at Maryville, February 18; Maryville at Springfield, February 23; Maryville at Warrensburg, February 25 and 26; Kirksville at Maryville March 1.

Kirksville: At Cape, January 21 and 22; Springfield at Kirksville, January 31, February 1; Kirksville at Warrensburg, February 4 and 5; Kirksville at Springfield, February 7; Maryville at Kirksville, February 11 and 12; Cape at Kirksville, February 17; Warrensburg at Kirksville, February 19; Kirksville at Maryville, March 1.

Springfield: Maryville at Springfield, February 23; Springfield at Kirksville, January 31, February 1; Springfield at Maryville, January 28 and 29; Springfield at Cape Girardeau February 25; Warrensburg at Springfield, January 20 and 21; Springfield at Warrensburg, February 11; Cape at Warrensburg, February 12; Springfield at Maryville, March 1 and 2; Kirksville at Springfield, February 7.

Cape Girardeau: Warrensburg at Cape, January 14 and 15; Kirksville at Cape, January 21 and 22; Maryville at Cape, February 9; Cape at Maryville, February 15 and 16; Cape at Kirksville, February 17; Springfield at Cape, February 25; Cape at Warrensburg, February 28; Cape at Warrensburg, March 1 and 2.

Warrensburg: Warrensburg at Cape, January 14 and 15; Warrensburg at Springfield, January 20 and 21; Cape at Warrensburg, January 26; Kirksville at Warrensburg, February 4 and 5; Springfield at Warrensburg, February 11; Warrensburg at Maryville, February 18; Warrensburg at Kirksville, February 19; Maryville at Warrensburg, February 25 and 26; Cape at Warrensburg, February 28.

Two New Books for Library
The library has added two new books to its list this week. They are:

"Principles of Home Nursing" by E. L. Mohs, of which there are four copies.

"Index to Short Stories" by Flikins.

Forms Boys' Home Ec. Club
Lena Johnson, B. S. '25, teaching at A. V. Mo., has formed a boys home economic club. The May number of the Journal of Home Economics carries an article on her work.

Tennis Club to Have Dual Matches Friday

The College tennis club boys' singles and double steams will play representatives of St. Joseph Central High and Junior College on the College courts Friday afternoon.

Those who will represent the local club have not been chosen. Paul R. Jones, coach at the College, will likely choose the club teams Thursday.

The tennis team of the College was rained out last Monday. It had intended to go to Peru, Neb., to play the Peru State Normal teams. The matches had been arranged for by the Tennis Club.

Elna Scott of Pickering, who has been out of school for the past week because of influenza, was able to return to classes Monday.

Helen Miller went to Stanberry last Tuesday to give a group of readings to the Stanberry chapter of the P. E. O.

Harvey Bush to Concord, N. C.

Harvey Bush, a former student who has been music supervisor in the La Junta, Colorado, public schools for a year and a half has resigned to accept a similar position in the Concord, N. C. Schools. Mr. Bush succeeds Price Doyle as music supervisor in the Concord schools.

He will also direct the school band and orchestra assuming his new duties June 1. Mr. Bush will spend several days in Maryville while on his way east.

The list of reappointments include the following residents and former teachers in Maryville:

Miss Nova Wallace of Clearmont, Central High School and Junior College.

E. E. Vandervelot, principal, and Miss Marie Landfater, Benton High School.

Miss Lillian R. James, Lafayette High School.

This Teaching Business

As Seen by One From the Outside

Editor's note: The following article, of interest to all who teach or live in a small community, is taken from last week's issue of The Outlook.

A retired farmer on the school board in a small town in Iowa took me to task the other day. I had happened to mention that I once did publicity for a prize-fighter.

"We don't have any prize-fighting room," he said thankfully. "We wouldn't allow it."

From the railroad train the town of B looks as if it were a peaceful little place. It has a population of 1,400. It ships a lot of cattle and hogs to Omaha and Chicago. It has a consolidated school, five churches, one movie, two blocks of stores, and a corn cannery. It also has a school fight.

A school fight is not a pleasant spectacle nor is it uplifting. It is not polite. Compared with the prize ring, where iron-jawed gentlemen have decreed it foul to hit below the belt, a school fight is a brutal sport. Public opinion is a partisan referee. Most of us jabbing is done below the waistline—the teacher's waist, usually.

In the town of B it happens to be the somewhat thin waist of my brother-in-law, Pete, who works his eight hours, plus after school and evenings, managing the six-hundred-odd children in this consolidated school district, directing some fourteen other teachers, quelling the big boys, training for declamatory contests, running a basket-ball team, teaching manual training, bossing the bus drivers who tote the country children into town and home again, and doing a hundred other modern educational tasks. Time left the superintendent spends with his school board.

"What's wrong with your board?" I asked, after hearing a tale of woe.

"Nothing wrong with it; it's like all the others I know," Pete told me. "There are two Methodists, one Catholic, one Lutheran, and the preacher of the Peace Evangelical church. It's the Peace preacher this time who's leading the fight."

He wanted Pete to resign, it developed. Also he wanted the scalp of the woman principal of the high school.

"Creed, in his case," Pete answered when I asked him why. "It breaks the end of every school year. You always hear creeds when small-town school-teachers are elected."

I hadn't known that. I never taught school. Education in a small town is a very complicated business, I discovered. Presidential elections aren't in it. Three Methodists controlled the board in B town until this spring. The Peace preacher defeated one of them for reelection. Before the Methodists it had been Congregationalists; before them, Catholics.

"Half our town is retired farmer," Pete explained. "Most of them are Catholic. They controlled the school board about four years and appointed a Catholic superintendent. He was a good man, wide awake. It was he who started the campaign for a new schoolhouse."

"Why didn't he stay?" I wondered. I asked Pete.

"Well," Pete said, "the Lutherans mostly went crazy, and so did nearly every one else. They all joined forces and put three Congregationalists on the board. Of course they fired the Catholic superintendent. But they didn't appoint the man the Methodists had picked. So it was only a case of waiting for the Methodists to control the board. Then I got my job, two years ago. I tried to play the middle ground."

Of course I laughed.

"I couldn't," Pete agreed. "I found that out. I started going to the Methodist in the morning, which is my own church. Sunday evenings I attended all the others, in rotation. Fanny (that's his wife) made pies for all the ladies' Aid suppers. Think she's baked two hundred, actual count."

We were sitting in Pete's office. Children were passing in and out, asking questions, presenting papers to be signed, borrowing books. A little girl came to the door; about seventh-grade she looked.

"May I go over town before next class?" she asked.

Pete frowned. Nature never meant Pete to frown. He has too friendly a face. I could see now that he wasn't too sure how to answer.

Then he said: "No; sorry."

"My father said you had to let me," the child insisted.

"I said no," Pete repeated.

She pouted. Pete closed the door and started to tell me who she was. Her father was a board member and a doctor. Just at that minute one of the teachers came in.

"Dr. Perkins is inspecting the manual-training rooms," she reported.

Pete and I went down. We found the doctor—the father of the girl who had just asked permission to go to town during school hours. He was an ordinary small-town physician, a good doctor, no doubt, who always voted, always went to church.

"Bebe says you would not let her run over town," he began.

"Sorry," said Pete, "it's against the rules for any one to go to town

Tank Exhibition to Be Given on May 24

Swimmers, Young and Old, Will Frolic in the Aqua for Benefit of Public.

Swimming classes of the College will give a public demonstration at the College pool Monday night, May 24.

The young stars in the training school will first appear. Most of them can swim the length of the pool, fifty feet, which entitles them to beginners' Red Cross certificates.

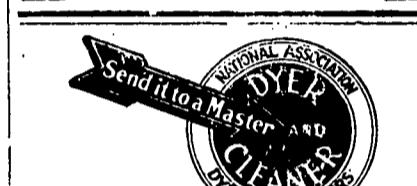
Two of the boys who are in the upper grades have passed the junior life saving test of the American Red Cross.

The children will be divided into three groups for their part of the program. The first group will be composed of the three lower grades. The second and third groups will be of the boys and girls of the higher grades.

Girls beginning classes of the College and of the College High School will give demonstrations of their ability. Girls of the second quarter class will demonstrate life saving, diving, and probably some stunts.

Two teams selected from the College classes will compete in water polo.

Miss Roberta Cook, a senior at the State Teachers College, will teach physical education in the Cameron schools next year.



Electric Theatre

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, MAY 19th and 20th—

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FRIDAY, MAY 21st—RICHARD TALMADGE in "THE PRINCE OF PEP" Also International News .

SATURDAY, MAY 22nd—BESSIE LOVE and NEIL HAMILTON in "NEW BROOMS" Also a two reel western, EDMUND COBBS in "RUSTLERS SECRET"

MONDAY and TUESDAY, MAY 24th and 25th—CHARLIE MURRAY, BETTY BLYTHE and CHARLES RAY in "PERCY" Also Monday a comedy "GREEN EYED MONSTER"

"Mose," said the boss of the night shift, "You haven't been late to work since you moved. Where do you live?"

"Lay down, pup. Lay down. That's since you moved. Where do you live?"

"Fo' blocks on the other side of the graveyard,"—Normal Instructor.

Canine Literati

"Lay down, pup. Lay down. That's since you moved. Where do you live?"

"Mister, you'll have to say, 'Lie down.' He's a Boston terrier,"—Journal of Education.

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